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SUBJECT: 28TH GA: ITEM 46, ECONOMIC COOPERATION AMONG  
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1. US DEL SHOULD AT ITS DISCRETION ENDEAVOR TO OBTAIN  
FOLLOWING MODIFICATIONS IN SUBJECT RES. IN EFFORT TO  
OBTAIN IMPROVED TEXT ON WHICH US CAN JOIN IN CONSENSUS:

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A. PARAGRAPH 1(B): TO PROMOTE AND EXPAND REGIONAL,

SUBREGIONAL AND INTERREGIONAL TRADE BY MEANS OF APPROPRIATE TRADE ARRANGEMENTS WITHIN THE TERMS OF THE INTERNATIONAL OBLIGATIONS OF THE COUNTRIES SUCH AS CONTAINED IN THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE.

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B. PARAGRAPH 1(D): TO SUPPORT APPROPRIATE PRODUCER-CONSUMER MEASURES AIMED AT INCREASED PRICE STABILITY FOR THEIR EXPORTABLE COMMODITIES AT REMUNERATIVE AND EQUITABLE LEVELS AND TO SUPPORT MEASURES TO IMPROVE ACCESS TO MARKETS FOR SUCH PRODUCTS.

C. 1(E) TO PROTECT THEIR INALIENABLE RIGHT TO PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY OVER THEIR NATURAL RESOURCES PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY OVER THEIR NATURAL RESOURCES WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF INTERNATIONAL LEGAL NORMS AND OBLIGATIONS.

2. IF FOREGOING CHANGES CAN BE OBTAINED, US DEL MAY JOIN IN SUPPORT; OTHERWISE SHOULD ABSTAIN (OR INDICATE US WOULD HAVE ABSTAINED IF CONSENSUS PROCEDURE IS FOLLOWED), AND SHOULD MAKE FOLLOWING POINTS, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT ANY MODIFICATIONS MADE IN RESOLUTION.

3. THE US ENDORSES DEVELOPMENTAL AIMS OF RESOLUTION AND FOLLOWING POINTS ARE OFFERED AND SHOULD BE UNDERSTOOD IN THAT CONTEXT. WITH RESPECT TO OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 3, US FOR ITS PART MAINTAINS ITS COMMITMENT PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH 40 OF INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY TO CONSIDER SPECIFICALLY WHAT HELP CAN BE GIVEN TO CONCRETE PROPOSALS PUT FORWARD BY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN AREA OF REGIONAL AND SUB-REGIONAL COOPERATION OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AS WE HAVE DONE IN THE PAST.

4. WITH RESPECT TO REMAINDER OF RESOLUTION THERE IS ALSO MUCH WITH WHICH US CAN AGREE. HOWEVER, WE REMAIN SKEPTICAL OF CATEGORICAL ASSERTION CONCERNING SALUTORY DEVELOPMENTAL EFFECT OF REGIONAL ARRANGEMENTS, CONTAINED IN PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPH 7 AND, BY REFERENCE, UNCLASSIFIED

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IN SEVERAL OTHER PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPHS WHICH NOTED DECLARATIONS AND GATHERINGS IN WHICH US DID NOT JOIN OR PLAY A PART. THESE CONCLUSIONS, IN US VIEW, ARE NOT SUFFICIENTLY ESTABLISHED ON BASIS OF EXPERIENCE OR STUDY TO BE STATED AS FACT.

5. US THEREFORE FAVORS OPEN, CONSTRUCTIVE AND PRAGMATIC APPROACH BOTH TO ROLE OF REGIONAL GROUPINGS

IN DEVELOPMENT PROCESS AND TO CASE-BY-CASE ANALYSIS OF SPECIFIC MEASURES SUCH AS PROPOSED IN FIRST OPERATIVE PARA OF RESOLUTION, WHICH SHOULD NOT BE JUSTIFIED SOLELY ON BASIS OF THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO REGIONAL COOPERATION AS SUCH, FOR EXAMPLE:

A. WITH RESPECT TO SUB-PARAGRAPH (B), US BELIEVES THAT PREFERENTIAL TRADING ARRANGEMENTS SHOULD BE EXAMINED CAREFULLY WITH RESPECT TO THEIR ECONOMIC IMPACT, AND WOULD OBJECT TO ANY INTERPRETATION OF THIS RESOLUTION WHICH IMPLIED BLANKET AUTHORITY FOR COUNTRIES TO DEROGATE FROM TERMS OF THEIR INTERNATIONAL OBLIGATIONS SUCH AS CONTAINED IN GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE.

B. SIMILARLY, US WOULD OPPOSE DOCTRINAIRE INTERPRETATION OF SUB-PARAGRAPH (D). IN SUPPORTING APPROPRIATE MEASURES WITH RESPECT TO COMMODITY PRICES AND MARKET ACCESS, U.S. FIRMLY BELIEVES THAT

COUNTRIES SHOULD EXPLORE NOT ONLY APPROPRIATE PRODUCER-CONSUMER ARRANGEMENTS ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS, BUT ALSO MEASURES TO GIVE EFFECT TO THE GROWTH PROMOTING AND THE EFFICIENT ALLOCATION FUNCTIONS OF MARKET FORCES, TO ASSIST DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN STRENGTHENING THEIR FOOD PRODUCTION CAPABILITIES AND TO MAXIMIZE PRODUCING POTENTIAL OF AVAILABLE LAND. NOTHING IN THIS RESOLUTION SHOULD PREJUDICE IN ANY WAY DELIBERATIONS OF WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE OR AGRICULTURAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS WITHIN FRAMEWORK OF GATT.

C. WITH RESPECT TO SUB-PARAGRAPH (E), POSITION OF UNCLASSIFIED

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THE UNITED STATES AS WELL AS MANY OTHER COUNTRIES REMAINS THAT "INALIENABLE RIGHT TO PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY OVER NATURAL RESOURCES" CONTINUES TO BE EXERCIZED WITHIN FRAMEWORK OF INTERNATIONAL LEGAL NORMS AND OBLIGATIONS AND CAN AND SHOULD BE PROTECTED IN THAT CONTEXT.

6. IN CONCLUSION US STRONGLY SUPPORTS ECONOMIC COOPERATION AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, AND CONSTRUCTIVE AND PRAGMATIC EXAMINATION OF COOPERATIVE MEASURES FROM STANDPOINT OF THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO DEVELOPMENT OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND TO WORLD ECONOMIC ORDER AND WELL-BEING. KISSINGER

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